M Row,—I beg to move that the Bill, as amended by the Council be read ag future day of which notice shall be given.

Seconde by Mr. Vieyra.

Carried.

THE WEIGHTS AND MEASURES BILL.

Mr. Ananda Row.—Sir, the Bill is now before the Council for final reading. But, before moving that it be read again and passed, I have, on behalf of Government, to propose an amendment to Section 1 of the Bill. The date on which the Regulation is to come into force has to be fixed, and I beg to propose that this law may take effect from the 1st Chingom 1086, so that the public may have ample notice of the provisions of the new Regulation.

Sconded by Mr. Raman Pillai.

Carried.

Mr. Ananda Row then moved that the Bill be read again in Council and passed.

The motion was put and agreed to.

THE FOREST REGULATION AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. Ananda Row.—Sir, on behalf of Government, I beg to propose the following amendment to Section 6, clause (d) :—

Insert the words 'not less than three and,' between the words 'period' and 'not', in line 1.

The Section fixes a period within which every claimant to any land comprised within the limits of a proposed Reserved Forest, may present his claim. The Section, as it stands, provides only a maximum period. I think that it would be well to provide a minimum period also, so that the rights of the public may be sufficiently safeguarded.

Seconded by Mr. N. Subramania Iyer.

Carried.

Mr. Ananda Row.—I beg to move that the Bill be finally read and passed.

Seconded by Mr. Vieyra.

Carried.

THE LAND ACQUISITION REGULATION AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. Ananda Row.—I beg to move that the Land Acquisition Regulation Amendment Bill be read again in Council and passed.

Seconded by Mr. Raman Pillai.

Carried.

THE HIGH COURT REGULATION AMENDMENT BILL.

Mr. Ananda Row.—Sir, before the Council adjourns today, I beg permission to introduce a Bill to amend the High Court Regulation, I of 1067. The amendment I propose, is to Section 13 of the Regulation, which requires that civil appeals of Rs. 2,500 and upwards shall be heard and determined by a Full Bench of three Judges. The powers of a Division Bench of the High Court in the matter of civil appeals were fixed at a time when the jurisdiction of the Munsiffs extended only up to Rs. 500 Now that the Munsiffs are given jurisdiction up to Rs. 2, 0 and the limit of appeals disposable by the District Courts extends up to Rs. 1,000, the High Court are of opinion that the limit of Rs. 2,500 in Section 13 of the High Court Regulation may be raised to Rs. 5,00'. I may add that the powers of a Division Bench under the old Sadr Court Regulation, I. of 1057, extended up to Rs. 5,000.

In view of the fact that the new Civil Courts Regulation has been in force from the beginning of the current year, I think that it is desirable that the proposed amendment to the High Court Regulation should be passed at an early date. I

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